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1.	The applicant is hereby notified that this International Preliminary Examining Authority considers the following date as the date of receipt of the demand for international preliminary examination of the international application: 21 JAN 2004 (21/1/2004)
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